

H. R. 261.

FEBRUARY 23, 1824.

Read twice, and committed to a committee of the whole House
on Monday next.

A BILL

To regulate the fees of the Register of Wills in the several counties within the District of Columbia.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That,*
3 from and after the passing of this act, there shall be allowed
4 and paid (in lieu of the fees now allowed) to each of the Re-
5 gisters of Wills for the counties of Washington and Alexan-
6 dria, in the District of Columbia, the following fees, that is
7 to say:

8 For every probat of will (where there is no controversy,) *including demand and all oaths necessary thereto, one dollar.*

10 For granting letters testamentary or of administration,
11 swearing the executors or administrators, taking, recording,
12 and filing bond, issuing warrant under seal to appraisers and
13 warrant to swear them, notice of administrators to creditors
14 and order thereon, including demand on application for the
15 same, five dollars.

16 For appointment of, or approval of guardian, including
17 application or demand (where not contested,) and for taking
18 recording, and filing bond, two dollars.

19 For recording and filing each indenture of apprentice,
20 including the courts taking recognizance for same, or its ap-
21 proval, when done by the justices of the peace, seventy-five
22 cents.

23 For stating and passing every account of executor, ad-
24 ministrator, or guardian, including all oaths necessary thereto,
25 one dollar.

26 For examining every voucher of same, six and a quarter
27 cents.

28 For making out and filing the balance of distribution of
29 a deceased person's estate, one dollar.

30 For exemplification of letters testamentary or of adminis-
31 tration under seal, one dollar.

32 For recording or copying of will or other matter per side
33 or one hundred and five words, twelve and a half cents.

34 For taxing and filing cost, twelve and a half cents.

35 For copy same, if demanded, with certificate, twelve
36 and a half cents.

37 For a writ of execution on definitive sentence under
38 seal, fifty cents.

39 For drawing depositions of witnesses, per side, sixteen
40 cents.

- 41 **For filing interrogatories, per side, twelve and a half cents.**
- 42 **For a citation under seal, fifty cents.**
- 43 **For an attachment under seal, seventy-five cents.**
- 44 **For subpœna for cost under seal, fifty cents.**
- 45 **For every appearance of the party under process, twelve**
 46 **and a half cents.**
- 47 **For entering every return of process, twelve and a half**
 48 **cents.**
- 49 **For a continuance or reference chargeable to the appli-**
 50 **cant, twelve and a half cents.**
- 51 **For every search (after one year) if found, twenty-five**
 52 **cents.**
- 53 **For commission or proclamation of rebellion, one dollar.**
- 54 **For commission to examine evidences or to auditors un-**
 55 **der seal, one dollar.**
- 56 **For scire facias under seal, seventy-five cents.**
- 57 **For duces tecum under seal, fifty cents.**
- 58 **For entering motion in suits, depending in court, twelve**
 59 **and a half cents; or if above one side, at the rate per side of**
 60 **twelve and a half cents.**
- 61 **For entering every order of court, twelve and a half cents;**
 62 **if more than one side, at the rate per side of twelve and a**
 63 **half cents.**
- 64 **For entering prayer for appeal, twelve and a half cents.**
- 65 **For filing every libel, answer, replication, petition, or**
 66 **exhibits, six and a quarter cents.**

67 For a writ of sequestration under seal, fifty cents.

68 For entering and taking executors or widows' remuneration, twelve and a half cents.

70 For every oath administered, (except as above required,) twelve and a half cents.

72 For every certificate, (except as above required,) twelve and a half cents.

74 For every seal of office, (except as above required,) twenty-five cents.

76 For warrant to marshal to summon jury (under seal,) fifty cents.

78 For entering pannel of jury, twelve and a half cents.

79 For entering presentment and order thereon, twenty-five cents.

81 For taking, recording, and filing every bond not above provided for, one dollar.

83 For passing an account against the estate of a deceased person, twelve and a half cents.